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THE FOREST ALLIANCE

Every year 150,000 hectares of forest are destroyed in the Peruvian Amazon due to agriculture, infrastructure and cattle ranching. Peru's indigenous communities are one of the largest landholders and manage a significant portion of the Amazon forests. The Forest Alliance supports indigenous communities in Ucayali conserve and manage their forested lands under an innovative model with the private sector.

HOW DOES THE ALLIANCE WORK?

The Forest Alliance works in seven indigenous communities in Ucayali with Cacataibo and Shipibo Conibo ethnic groups located in the basin of the Aguaytia and Ucayali rivers.

The Alliance provides technical assistance to indigenous communities by fostering a Community Forest Management (CFM) approach through creating market-oriented sustainable businesses, engaging stakeholders in forest-friendly management, building capacity at the community-level using an intercultural “learning by doing” approach, and strengthening existing social networks. The Alliance will promote an equitable inclusion of indigenous peoples through a rights-based and gender approach.

The Forest Alliance also works with regional and local authorities to establish partnerships with indigenous communities to support monitoring of deforestation and degradation.

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RESULTS ACHIEVED

- 200 hectares with improved conditions through land and forest restoration with native species in seven indigenous community lands.
- 120,000 hectares under improved natural resource management, through community forest management in seven indigenous communities' lands.
- 4 sustainable business models under development by organized indigenous communities in partnership with the private sector.
- 300 indigenous men and women organized in productive communities and developing businesses for improving their livelihoods.
- 1 indigenous enterprise with strengthened management capacities.
- 7 control and surveillance community committees officially recognized and operating.
- 1 community-based mechanism for monitoring, verification and report in operation.
- 1 CFM model with a landscape approach and business-oriented, shared with key stakeholders.

PROJECT INFORMATION

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